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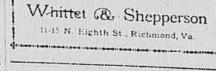


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Manufacture of Airships a Coming Industry-Richmond Has Chance to Lead.

Some weeks ago the Industrial Secon suggested that it was possible for floor in the manufacture of airships. then brought out and commented upon that a decade or two ago people laughed at the idea that the building automobiles would ever become a big industry, or any more than a toy shop. Well, the automobile building business is now one of the biggest things in the country. Ten years from now the airship builting business may be, most likely will be, an even bigger

We have had here in Richmond an aviator now and then hits the grit, they and in hitting it ends his earthly career. So did the first railway locamout tive engineers and the first automobile navigators, but the railway locomotive came to stay, and so did the automobile, when it did come.

The aviator is here, and in the nature of the case he is a nervy fellow, and has staying qualities. The airship has undouotedly come, and it is going to stay. A few years hence the manufacturing of airships, aeroplanes, or whatever name the things may be known by, will be an industry that will be worth millions to the manufacturers. The first city that gets well into the business of making airships is going to reap a great reward. This is the kind or argument that was used in the Industrial Section several weeks ago, and that argument has attracted attention.

Man Who Means Business.

City district, and as such in charge of the work being done in that displaying the south in that proposed trict, has written a letter to the South Hill Enterprise, which is well worth the consideration of the people, not only of Mecklenburg county, but of every county in the State that has not aiready anticipated and followed the good advice given. Colonel Gregory says:

"With Bluestone, South Hill, Boydton and Palmers Spring Districts all talking bend issue, would it not be well to have a good roads meeting for the

Mecklenburg County May Make a Lump Job of Good Road Building.

As has heretofore been told in the Industrial Section the good roads fever is growing in Mecklenburg county. Clarksville district has built some of If I remember aright, the fact was the finest roads in the State by judiciously using the proceeds of a district bond issue which the people aviation meet," and the airship has two districts, trotted their horses een pretty well advertised. True, an over these good roads, and naturally

> intensitied when they drove back home and pulled through the mud in their respective districts. man of the Board of Supervisors, and chairman of the road board for Chase

Attention.

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There was an aviation meet in this sity not long since, and one of the men engaged in the business of steering the airships that floated over and shoul filchmond at the time was a great frenchman by the name of Albert Fileux.

About fileux, talking bond issue, would the set to have a good roads meeting for the county as a whole, and consider the matter properly before going into any more district bond issues. The present income from the general road tax is approximately \$15,000. This sum is protated to the several districts in more district bond issues. The present of the mains of Albert fileux. He is not only an aviator, but he is an experienced machinist, and his compination knowledge would most naturally enable him to make flying machines, as well as to navigate them after they are made. This man Fileux for the high-flying stunts that were pulled of flast summer and fall in this time. He was with Moisant in France, with him when he won the prize for sailing around the Statue of Liberty in New York, was with him in this city, and, like most people who visit Richinond, he got stuck on the town. When Moisant and the other aviations of his own country, and the trop became acquainted with Oscar Vander Meersch, a man of his own country, and has good reason to think, will soon turn in for him something like a quarter of a million dollars in cold cash. Vander Meersch got very much interested in Fileux, and gathered not a few ideas from him and an inventor only needs an idea to go upon. This inventor hinks he has, with the benefit of Fileux's aviation ideas, persented to the several districts in proportion to amounts paid by them, in the sit of the day.

In give they are made, This man Fileux of the districts for road work. Small sum, por work to the districts for road work. Small sum, por work to the districts for road work. Small sum, por work to the districts for road work. Small sum, por work to the districts for road work. Small sum, por work to the districts for road work. Small sum, por work to the districts for road work. Small sum, por work the sum to the several districts in the country late to the several districts on the fileux was a right bower all the fileux was a right bower all the fileux was called to Paris on account of the fatal illness of his mother. While here he became acquainted with Oscar Vander work be done in a permanent way, which will count for something in the years to come? \$300,000 of bonds bearing 5 per cent. Interest to come? \$300,000 of bonds bearing 5 per cent. Interest to come? \$300,000 of bonds and prop

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